

# **PLATFORM OF** THE DEMOCRATS

#### Treats of Preparedness, Mexico, Tariff and Other Points of Importance to Nation.

The platform adopted by the Democratic convention reads as follows:

The Democratic party, in national con-rention assembled, adopts the following lectaration to the end that the people of the United States may both realize the achievements wrought by four years of Democratic administration and be apprised of the policies to which the party is committed for the further conduct of na-

#### Record of Achievement.

We indorse the administration of Woodrow Wilson. It speaks for itself. It is the best exposition of sound Democratic policy at home and abroad. We challenge comparison of our record, our keeping of pledges and our construc-tive legislation with those of any party of any time.

found our country hampered by special privilege, a vicious tariff, obsolete banking laws and an inelastic currency. Our foreign affairs were dominated by commercial interests for their selfish ends The Republican party, despite repeated oloiges, was impotent to correct abuses lich it had fostered. Under our admin-istration, under a leadership which has never faltered, these abuses have been corrected, and our people have been freed

Our archale banking and currency sys-tem, prolific of panic and disaster under Republican administration—long the refuge of the money trust-has been supplanted by the federal reserve act, a true democracy of credit, under government control, already proved a financial bulwark in a orld crisis, mobilizing our resources, lacing abundant credit at the disposal of gitimate industry and making a currency

#### Federal Trade Commission.

We have created a federal trade com-mission to accommodate the perplexing questions arising under the anti-trust laws so that monopoly may be strangled at its birth and legitimate industry encouraged. Fair competition in business is now as-

have effected an adjustment of the f. adequate for revenue under peace onditions and fair to the consumer and o the producer. We have adjusted the producer of taxation so that swollen incomes bear their equitable shares. Our revenues have been sufficient in times of world stress and will largely exceed the expenditures for the current fiscal year. We have lifted human labor from the we have litted human labor from the category of commodities and have secured to the workingman the right of volun-tary association for his protection and welfare. We have protected the rights of the laborer against the unwarranted issu-

the laborer against the unwarranted issu-ance of writs of injunction and have guaranteed to him the right of trial by jury in cases of alleged contempt commit-ted outside of the presence of the court. We have advanced the parcel post to genuine efficiency, enlarged the postal savings system, added 10,000 rural delivery routes and extensions, thus reaching 2,500.— 600 additional nearly em additional people; improved the postal service in every branch and for the first time in our history placed the postoffice system on a self supporting basis, with actual surplus in 1913, 1914 and 1915.

### Economic Freedom.

The reforms which were most obviously The reforms which were most obviously needed to clear away special privilege, prevent unfair discrimination and release the energies of men of all ranks and advantages have been effected by recent legislation. We must now remove, so far as possible, every remaining element of unrest and uncertainty from the path of the business men of America and secure for them a continued period of quiet, assured and confident prosperity. sured and confident prosperity

## Tariff.

We reaffirm our belief in the doctrine of We reaffirm our belief in the doctrine of a tariff for the purpose of providing sufficient revenue for the operation of the government economically administered and unreservedly indorse the Underwood tariff law as truly exemplifying that doctrine.

We recognize that tariff rates are necessarily subject to change to meet changing that the constitution of the consti

nditions in the world's production ing conditions in the world's production and trade. The events of the last two years have brought about many momen-tous changes. In some respects their ef-fects are yet conjectural and wait to be disclosed, particularly in regard to our foreign trade. Two years of a war which has directly involved most of the chief industrial nations of the world and which has indirectly affected the life and indus-try of all nations are bringing about eco-nomic changes more varied and farreach-ing than the world has ever before expe-

rienced.

In order to ascertain just what those changes may be the Democratic congress is providing for a nonpartisan tariff commission to make impartial and thorough throw light either upon our past or upon our future facal policy with regard to the imposition of taxes on imports or with regard to the changed and changing conditions under which our trade is carried on. ditions under which our trace ried on.
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we cordially incores this timely propo-sal and declare ourselves in sympathy with the principle and purpose of shaping legislation within that field in accordance with clearly established facts rather than a accordance with the demands of selfish interests or upon information provided largely, if not exclusively, by them.

The part the United States will play in the new day of international relationships which is now upon us will depend upon our preparation and our character. The Democratic party, therefore, recognizes the assertion and triumphant demonstra-

flon of the indivisibility and coherent strength of the nation as the supreme issue of this day, in which the whole world faces the crisis of manifold change. world faces the crisis of manifold change. It summons all men, of whatever origin or creed, who would count themselves Americans to join in making clear to all the world the unity and consequent power of America. This is an issue of particisms. To taint it with partisanship would be to defile it. In this day of test America must show itself not a matter of particisms, but a nation of particist. There is sathered here in America the tion of pariisans, but a nation of patriots. There is sathered here in America the best of the blood, the industry and the genius of the whole world, the elements of a great race and a magnificent society to be melted into a mighty and spiendid nation. Wheever, actuated by the purpose to promote the interest of a foreign power in disregard of our own country's welfare or to injure this government in its foreign relations or cripule or destroy its foreign relations or cripple or destroy its industries at home and whoever by arous ing prejudices of a racial, religious or oth-er nature creates discord and sirife among our people, so as to obstruct the whole-some process of unification, is faithless to the trust which the privileges of citizen-ship repose in him and disloyal to his

We therefore condemn as subversive of this nation's unity and integrity and as destructive of its welfare the activities and designs of every group or organiza-

tion, political or otherwise, that has for its object the advancement of the interest of a foreign power, whether such object is promoted by intimidating the government, a political party or representatives of the people or which is calculated and tends to divide our people into antagonistic groups and thus to destroy that complete agreement and solidarity of the people and that unity of sentiment and national purpose so essential to the per-petuity of the nation and its free institu-

#### Condemn Alliances.

We condemn all alliances and combina-tions of individuals in this country, of whatever nationality or descent, who agree and conspire together for the pur-pose of embarrassing or weakening our government or of improperly influencing or coercing our public representatives in dealing or negotiating with any foreign power. We charge that such conspiracies among a limited number exist and have been instigated for the purpose of advanc-ing the interests of foreign countries to ing the interests of foreign countries to the prejudice and detriment of our own country. We condemn any political party which, in view of the activity of such conspirators, surrenders its integrity or

#### Preparedness.

Along with the proof of our character act, passed by the Democratic congress, as a nation must go the proof of our power to play the part that legitimately belongs to us. The people of the United States love peace. They respect the rights and covet the friendship of all other nations. They desire neither any additional territory nor any advantage which cannot be peacefully gained by their skill, their industry or their enterprise, but they insist upon having absolute freedom of national life and policy and feel that they owe it to themselves and to the role of spirited independence which it is their sole ambition to play that they should render themselves secure against the hazard of interference from any quarter and should be able to protect their rights upon the seas or in any part of the world.

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We therefore favor the maintenance of an army fully adequate to the requirements of order, of safety and of the protection of the nation's rights, the fullest development of modern methods of seacoast defense, and the maintenance of an adequate reserve of citizens trained to arms and prepared to safeguard the people and territory of the United States against any danger of hostile action which may unexpectedly arise, and a fixed policy for the continuous development of a navy worthy to support the ment of a navy worthy to support the great naval traditions of the United States and fully equal to the international tasks which the United States hopes and

tasks which the United States hopes and expects to take a part in performing. The plans and enactments of the present congress afford substantial proof of our purpose in this exigent matter.

[The platform here asserts that the Wilson administration has observed strict neutrality and has consistently sought to secure the peace of the world, with respect for the rights of smaller nations and the complete security of the highway of the seas, for the use of all nations.]

### Mexican Policy.

The Monroe doctrine is reasserted as a principle of Democratic faith. That doc trine guarantees the independent repub-lics of the two Americas against aggres-sion from another continent. It implies as well the most scrupulous regard upon our part for the sovereignty of each of them. The want of a stable reason them. The want of a stable, responsible government in Mexico capable of repressing and punishing the marauders and bandit bands who have not only taken the lives and seized and destroyed the property of American citizens in that country, but have insolently invaded our soil, made war upon and murdered our people thereon, has rendered it necessary temporarily to occupy by our armed forces a portion of the territory of that friendly state where, until by the restoration of law and order therein a repetition of such incursions is improbable, the necessity for their remaining will continue. Intervention, implying as it does military subjugation, is revolting to the people of the United States, notwithstanding the provocation to that course has been great and should be resorted to, if at all, only as a last resort. The stubborn resistance of the president and his advisers to every demand and suggestion to enter upon it is creditable aliks to them and to the people in whose name he speaks.

Merchant Marine. them. The want of a stable, respon-sible government in Mexico capable of

## Merchant Marine.

Immediate provision should be made for the development of the carrying trade of the United States. • • We heartly indorse the purposes and policy of the pending shipping bill.

## Conservation.

For the safeguarding and quickening of the life of our own people, we favor the conservation and development of the na-tural resources of the country by means of a policy which shall be positive rather than negative.

#### The Administration and the Farmer.

We favor the vigorous prosecution of investigations and plans to render agriculture more profitable and country life more healthful and comfortable and attractive, and we believe this should be a dominant nim of the nation as well as of the states. Much has been accomplished in this field under the present administration—far more than under any previous administration. In the federal reserve act of the last congress and rural credits act of the pres-ent congress the machinery has been created which will make credit available to the farmer constantly and readily, and he has at last been put on a footing of equality with the merchant and manufacturer in securing the capital necessary to carry on his enterprises

#### Good Roads.

The happiness, comforts and prosperity or rural life and the development of the city are alike conserved by the construc-tion of public highways. We therefore favor national aid in the construction of post roads and roads for military pur

#### Government Employment.

We hold that the life, health and strength of the men, women and children of the nation are its greatest asset and that in the conservation of these the federal government, wherever it acts as the employer of labor, should both on its own account and as an example put into ef-fect the following principles of just employment:

First.-A living wage for all employees Second.-A working day not to exceed eight hours, with one day of rest in

Third.—The adoption of safety appli-ances and the establishment of thoroughly sanitary conditions of labor. Fourth.—Adequate compensation for in-

dustrial accidents.

Fifth.—The standards of the "uniform child labor law" wherever minors are em-

Sixth.—Such provisions for decency, com-fort and health in the employment of wo-men as should be accorded the mothers

men as should be accorded the mothers of the race.

Seventh,—An equitable retirement law providing for the retirement of superanuated and disabled employees of the civil zervice to the end that a higher standard of efficiency may be maintained.

We believe also that the adoption of similar principles should be urged and applied in the legislation of the states with regard to labor within their borders, and that by every possible agency the life and that by every possible agency the life and health of the people of the nation should

#### Labor.

We declare cur faith in the Seaman's

and we promise our earnest continuance of its enforcement. We favor the speedy enactment of an effective federal child labor law and the regulation of the shipment of prison made goods in interstate commerce.

We favor the creation of a federal bu-reau of safety in the department of la-bor to gather facts concerning industrial hazards and recommend legislation to prevent the maining and killing of human

We favor the extension of the powers and functions of the federal bureau of

mines.

We favor the development upon a systematic scale of the means, already begun under the present administration, to assist laborers throughout the nation to seek and obtain employment and the extension by the federal government of the same assistance and encouragement as is now given to agricultural training. We heartily commend our newly established department of labor for its excellent rec ord in settling industrial strikes by per-sonal advices and through conciliating

### Public Health.

We favor a thorough reconsideration of the means and methods by which the federal government handles questions of pub-lic health to the end that human life may be conserved by the elimination of loathsome diseases, the improvement of sani-tation and the diffusion of a knowledge of lisease prevention.

We favor the establishment by the fed-

## eral government of tuberculosis sanitari ums for needy tubercular patients.

### Woman Suffrage, Etc.

Other planks of the platform demand economy in government expenditures, in-dorse the bili promoting self government in the Philippines and assert that the sacred rights of American citizenship, irre spective of race, creed or previous nation ality, must be preserved at home and abroad. Generous pensions for soldiers are favored. "We recommend the exten-sion of the franchise to the women of the sion of the franchise to the women of the country by the states upon the same terms as to men." The "splendid diplomatic victories" of the administration are praised, and the conclusion of the platform refers to its "great constructive achievement in following out a consistent policy for our domestic and internal development." Also the record of the administration in foreign affairs is lauded.

### Bowel Complaints in India.

In a lecture at one of the Des Moines, lowa, churches a missionary from India told of going into the interior of India, where he was taken sick, that he had a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoes Remedy with him and believed that it saved his life. This remedy is used successfully in India both as a pre ventive and a cure for cholera. You may know from this that it can be depended upon for the milder forms of bowel complaint that occur in this country. Obtainable everywhere.

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## McQUADY.

Percy Amuel and Elliott Frank went to Bethel Sunday to spend a few days with Virgil Frank.

Miss Mary Bates, Miss Marcella Lyons and B. F. Bates went to Cloverport Sunday to spend a week, the guests of rela-

Lee E. Henderson, Jr , of Irvington, was the guest of Miss Ressie Shrewshury Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Henning were the guests of their daughter, Mrs Jim Kennedy Monday.

Mrs. J. D. Taul spent Sunday with Mrs, Geo. Ball.

Quite a crowd went to Kirk Sunday to attend church

Mrs. Emma and Maxie Shrewsbury were afternoon guests of Mrs. Hob !

Mrs. Oskar Davis has gone to Garfield to spend a week with her mother, Mrs. Abe Bruner

Gabe Wright is in very bad health

Mrs. Geo. Ible went to Owensboro Saturday to be at the bedside of her father.

Miss Susie Neil is on the sick list at writing.

### Forethought.

People are learning that a little forethought often saves them a big expense. Here is an instance: E. W. Archer, Caldwell, Ohlo, writes: "I do not believe that our family has been without Chamberlain's Colic, Choiera and Diarrhoea Remedy since we commenced keeping house years ago. When we go on an extended visit we take it with us." Obtainable every-

### BRANDENBURG

Lanson Ditto returned to New York

Wednesday after a visit of several weeks with his father. Mrs. H. C. Woodson, Jr., and children

have returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Ned Reese, of Columbus, O. Miss Allie Reid is attending the Ken-

tucky Postmaster's Association, which is in session this week at Louisville. Geo, Worland left Tuesday for Olym

pia Springs to attend the annual meet-

ing of the Kentucky Druggists Association. Lon Coleman left Sunday for New Orleans with his boat, Ranger, towing

a barge of lumber for an Alton, Ind.,

firm Bert Miller has purchased the residence of Mrs. Celeste Kendall on East Hill. We understand the consideration was \$625 cash

Mrs. Chas. Casperke, Sr., arrived last week to be with her son, Charlie, who has been ill for several days. His condition shows slight improvement.



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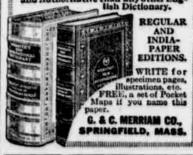
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John Bircher, who has been at Hartford as local agent of the Cumberland arrived Monday and will have charge of the Meade County Telephone Co.

J. N. Berryman has completed his residence on Main street and moved Saturday. The building is constructed of concrete and is modern in every respect.

Miss Cornelia Dooley entertained the following friends trom Louisville Sun-day: Miss Mary Sullivan, Messrs, Walter Dorsey, Jas. Ford. Leroy Childrell' Carl Haulman and Harvey Simpson — Meade County Messenger

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